

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: ITOH, Muneharu

Group Art Unit: 1756

Serial No.: 10/721,069

Examiner: DOTE, JANIS L.

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FOR: TONER AND IMAGE-FORMING METHOD THEREWITH

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 1, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 7, 2005**, in the time period for response under the Notice of Appeal filed on March 3, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is concurrently filed herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.